

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—197) **Pages S5731–32**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:03 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, September 18, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5772.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FARM BILL NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine nutrition programs, focusing on perspectives for the 2018 Farm Bill, after receiving testimony from Brandon Lipps, Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, and Gil Harden, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, and Ann M. Coffey, Assistant Inspector General of Investigations, both of the Office of the Inspector General, all of the Department of Agriculture; Sam Schaeffer, Center for Employment Opportunities, New York, New York; Bryan Parker, Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma, Tulsa; Jimmy Wright, Wright's Market, Opelika, Alabama, on behalf of the National Grocers Association; Diane Whitmore Schanzenbach, Northwestern University Institute for Policy Research, Evanston, Illinois; and Brian Riendeau, Dare to Care Food Bank, Louisville, Kentucky.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, after receiving testimony from Clay Lowery, Rock Creek Global Advisors LLC, and Kevin J. Wolf, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer and Feld LLP, both of Arlington, Virginia; and James A. Lewis, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Alexandria, Virginia.

INDIVIDUAL TAX REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine individual tax reform, after receiving testimony from Lily L. Batchelder, New York University School of Law, New York; Alex M. Brill, and Ramesh Ponnuru, both of the American Enterprise

Institute, Washington, D.C.; and Iona Harrison, Pioneer Realty, Upper Marlboro, Maryland, on behalf of the National Association of Realtors.

FCC LIFELINE PROGRAM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal Communications Commission's Lifeline Program, focusing on a case study of government waste and mismanagement, after receiving testimony from Seto Bagdoyan, Director, Forensic Audits and Investigative Service, Government Accountability Office; Ajit Pai, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; and Vickie S. Robinson, Universal Service Administrative Company, Washington, D.C.

INDIVIDUAL INSURANCE MARKET

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine stabilizing premiums and helping individuals in the individual insurance market for 2018, focusing on health care stakeholders, after receiving testimony from Raymond G. Farmer, South Carolina Department of Insurance Director, Columbia, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Manny K. Sethi, Healthy Tennessee, Nashville; Susan Turney, Marshfield Clinic Health System, Marshfield, Wisconsin; and Robert Ruiz-Moss, Anthem, Inc., and Christina Postolowski, Young Invincibles, both of Denver, Colorado.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Ralph R. Erickson, of North Dakota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, Donald C. Coggins, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Dabney Langhorne Friedrich, of California, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Stephen S. Schwartz, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, Robert J. Higdon, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, J. Cody Hiland, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Arkansas, Joshua J. Minkler, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, and Byung J. Pak, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia.